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28TH MAY 2023

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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| Sat | 27th | 18:15 | Maria Sterlini Anniversary | St Patrick's |
| Sun | 28th | 08:45 | Mass in Polish | St Patrick's |
| Pentecost Sunday | | 09:00 | Thanksgiving to Blessed Sacrament | Our Lady's |
| | | 11:00 | Eileen Mary Gorman | St Patrick's |
| Mon | 29th | Mary, Mother of the Church No Mass Today | | |
| Tue | 30th | Ferial 12:00 | Deborah Theodore | St Patrick's |
| Wed | 31st | The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 12:00 Private Intention | | Our Lady's |
| Thurs | 1st | Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Eternal High Priest 19:00 Mahi's Intention | | St Patrick's |
| Fri | 2nd | Ferial 12:00 | Owen Duffy | St Patrick's |
| | | 18:00 | Mass in Polish | St Patrick's |
| Sat | 3rd | St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs | | |
| Sat | 3rd | 18:15 | Fred Rebello | St Patrick's |
| Sun | 4th | 08:45 | Mass in Polish | St Patrick's |
| | | 09:00 | Donald and his Family | Our Lady's |
| | | 11:00 | Wallace Davies Birthday Intention | St Patrick's |
| | | 12:30 | Baptism - Matěj Edel | St Patrick's |
| | | 16:00 | Deanery Confirmations | Shrewsbury Cathedral |

CONFESSIONS

Heard by Appointment

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LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Our Masses from St Patrick's are available online at <https://churchservices.tv/wellington>

PENTECOST SUNDAY

FIRST READING

Acts 2: 1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day came round, the Apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. "Surely," they said, "all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God."

The word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 103

Response: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. **R/**
2. You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they
came.
You send forth your spirit, they are
created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R/**
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **R/**

SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

No one can say, "Jesus is Lord" unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always

to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!**

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, "Peace be with you," and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you." After saying this he breathed on them and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit, for those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer all who have died; all who are mourning the death of a loved one; and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

CONFIRMATIONS

The Confirmation Celebration will be next Sunday, 4th June at 4pm in the Cathedral in Shrewsbury.

FIRST COMMUNIONS

Prayerful Congratulations to **Gabriel Zaczynski** and **Adam Bishop-Czajkowski**, who will receive Communion for the first time at 11am Mass.

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY NEWS

Project Buffalo

Our Lady's Conference has been asked by their Twin Conference in India to assist in the purchase of six buffaloes for needy families. The donation from Our Lady's Conference will be £1020.00, spread over three years.

The buffalo milk can be sold to the milk society in Kottampatti Village and improve the lives of many of these needy families.

Cultivation is a difficult task, and drought has occurred in 60% of the area; people suffer without work. The literacy rate is 10% and 75% of the people live below the poverty line.

Kottampatti is situated in the District of Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu (State), India. The village is surrounded by small hamlets and the total number of catholics is 700.

SVP Meeting Dates: Next meetings are at St Patrick's on May 30th and Our Lady's on June 6th.

Food and Baby Bank

There are food and baby bank boxes at both churches which are emptied regularly by members of SVP.

Translators needed

St Pat's SVP is in need of help from Romanian and Polish speakers. If you can help, please speak to Jane Clarke.

Refreshments after 11am Mass next week

As usual after the First Sunday Mass of the month, the SVP will serve teas and coffees after Mass. Donations of cakes and biscuits are very welcome.

FAMILY MASS

There is a Family Mass on July 2nd.

Please let Moira or Mrs Alcock know if you would like to take an active part in the Mass (Welcoming, Reading, serving, offertory)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There is no Children's Liturgy at St Patrick's until 11th June due to school holidays.

FAITH AT 4PM at HTA

The 4pm Service at Holy Trinity Academy, Teece Drive, Priorslee on Sunday 28th May will celebrate Pentecost. As this is their Community Service, Rev'd Debbie extends a warm welcome to all who wish to attend.

MONTHLY ECUMENICAL SERVICE

This month's Ecumenical service will be held at Holy Trinity Oakengates at 7pm on Tuesday 30th May. The theme will be *The Spirit of God*.

THANK YOU FROM ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Our children had a very special celebration for their First Holy Communion last Sunday. Thank you to Fr Alban for leading the service. Thanks also to our Catechists, Mrs Kendrick and Mrs Morrey, who have guided our children through their preparation for the sacrament.

Mary Price, Head of School
St Patrick's Catholic Primary

NEWS FROM THE BLESSED EDWARD CAMPION SCHOOL FEDERATION

Governors of The Blessed Edward Campion Federation – St Patrick's Catholic Primary School and Shrewsbury Catholic Primary School & Nursery are pleased to share with Parishioners the news that they are now in the process of joining the Multi-Academy Trust of *Our Lady Help of Christians* from the Autumn Term.

Gay Kendrick
Chair of the Federation Governing Body.

CHAT AND CRAFT

Unfortunately, due to lack of support, the Chat and Craft group at St Patrick's has had to discontinue. We thank the organisers for their efforts.

MONEY MATTERS

Last week's Offertory Collections:

St Patricks: £ 1,522.12
(which includes £358.80 collected at our Holy Communion Masses last weekend).
Our Lady's: £ 398.25

Many thanks for your continued generosity.

There are a few sets of unclaimed envelopes in the porch. Standing order and Gift Aid forms are available from the information points.

CLEANING TEAMS

Both churches need volunteer cleaners. If you can spare an hour or two less than once a month, please put your name on the list in the porch.

If you have a preferred day to clean, please indicate that on the list and we can make up teams to make the task easier for all.

BIRTHDAY PARTY PLANS

Parishioners at St Patrick's are organising a party at the Sir John Bayley Club on Friday 23rd June for Fr Alban's 75th Birthday. If you would like to attend please add your name to the list in the porch.

Places are limited and for adults only. If you are willing to bring food for a potluck buffet please indicate this on the list. Caroline Freeman is co-ordinating the arrangements and can be contacted on caroline.freeman62@googlemail.com.

REFLECTIONS ON VATICAN II

The relevant podcast and handout are now available in the "News and Events" section of the diocesan website at dioceseofshrewsbury.org. A leaflet outlining the content of all the podcasts is available in the parish. If you have difficulty accessing this material or have questions and reflections, please don't hesitate to contact Barbara via email at barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or you can phone: 07730 526821.

TELFORD INTERFAITH COUNCIL

If you would like to help us by donating to the Crowdfunder project so we can continue this well needed project, please see the attached link: [Interfaith Community Hub WARM SPACE \(crowdfunder.co.uk\)](http://InterfaithCommunityHubWARMSPACE.crowdfunder.co.uk)

We are trying to hit our target of £10,000 so we can continue this service, please donate or pass on to others that you know to help us achieve this target.

The Chit-Chat Café will be ongoing throughout the year (or until the funding has been used).

TELFORD IN LOURDES 2023

Thursday, 27th July to Friday, 4th August
(overland)

Friday, 28th July to Thursday, 3rd August
(by air)

Travelling with the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, under the leadership of Bishop Mark. Brochures and booking forms are still available from the church porch – look for the large white envelopes showing "East Shropshire in Lourdes 2023".



YOUTH PILGRIMAGE 2023

Young pilgrims (aged 16 - 22) who wish to join us in Lourdes and offer their time and energy to assist and serve the sick and elderly pilgrims are asked to contact Sandy Fairley at the Youth Mission Team (youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) for more details.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from 8th to 15th February 2024. A copy of the itinerary, etc. can be found on the diocesan website: <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/diocesan-pilgrimage-to-the-holy-land-2024/>

Any questions regarding the pilgrimage should be directed to Fr David Long: (longdv1@aol.com). See the poster at the back of the church

MEMORIAL OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Last week members of the Catholic Women's League planted a rose bush in the garden in front of the church. The rose variety is called "Queen Elizabeth II" and will produce soft-pink blooms.

PENTECOST

If there is one thing that is clear from today's readings, it is that "tongues of fire" is not a gift for locking away, but for sharing and spreading about. Even the timid disciples could not help going into the open places to proclaim the wonders of God and convince people from every race and tongue. The same gift of the Holy Spirit is ours through Baptism and Confirmation and every time we celebrate Eucharist we agree to be "fired up" and to "renew the face" of our earth.

PARISH DIARY

May

28th

Pentecost Sunday

2 Holy Communion at 11am Mass.

June

4th

Trinity Sunday

Coffees after 11am Mass

Baptism of Matěj Edel

Celebration of Confirmation at Cathedral

9th

Diamond Anniversary (60th) of Fr Joe's

Ordination to the Priesthood.

11th

Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ

18th

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baptism – Lilly Plutacke

29th

Feast of SS Peter & Paul – a Holy Day

July

2nd

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Family Masses

Teas & Coffees after 11am Mass

9th

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

19th

St Luke's School Leavers Mass

21st

End of School Year

22nd

Wedding – Stephen Beck & Karolina

Kowalczyk

23rd

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th

Lourdes Pilgrimage departs

30th

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August

4th

Lourdes Pilgrimage returns